



## CHILD LABOR LAWS ARE INEFFECTIVE

### Supt. Morrison Makes Several Recommendations in Advance Report.

Superintendent Henry C. Morrison of the state department of public instruction in an advance report from his coming report makes several recommendations which no doubt will be considered at the 1917 session of the state legislature.

He touches upon the duties of the truant and probation officers of the state and declares with positiveness that the machinery at present is ineffective and inaccurate, saying in part:

"The truant officers as a class," says Superintendent Morrison, "though there are notable exceptions are untrained and inexperienced and unacquainted not only with modern child welfare work but also with the routine of their offices. The petitions are underpaid and commonly held as a side issue to other work. In general, they sometimes look up truants reported by teachers and bring them to school, but by no means always. They rarely are interested in children or understand how to prevent the causes which are chiefly contributory to irregular attendance."

"The probation officers as a class are superior to the truant officers and though they are frequently appointed because of their interest in children, they have only an amateur's understanding of their work which is of necessity their avocation, rather than their vocation. Besides it must be remembered that the municipal courts have by no means all complied with the laws and appointed probation officers."

Superintendent Morrison believes that the two offices should be combined and competent men employed who will devote their entire time to the work and adds that women assistant truant officers in the larger places would be a great help. He suggests that this office should be combined with that of the school nurse. It is recommended that districts be created in which one officer could do the work in several towns. Efficient welfare work, the superintendent says depends upon efficient local organization.

"The number of children relieved and salvaged by all existing agencies is probably a fraction of the number whose cases are never reported," says Mr. Morrison. "Neglected, destitute, wayward children cannot report themselves."

He recommends either a new state department or a division in some existing department to carry on the work. Speaking of the juvenile court, Mr. Morrison says:

"The juvenile court act is an excellent instrument all the way through until it comes to disposing of the child and so far as dependent children are concerned, there it breaks down utterly. There is an excellent statutory description of dependent children broad enough to include all children who need public support and defense. But in trying a case after convincing the court that the child is in a depraved or incompetent, or destitute home, the judge can only commit the child to the care of some institution or home or public authority which is willing to assume financial responsibility. Such are remarkably slow in coming forward."

"In practice the public poor authorities exercise full discretion as to the amount of money they will grant or whether they will grant any at all, or not. They are interested in an economical administration of their offices, that is, in saving money, and for that they are entitled to praise. It is not reasonable nor just, however, that men who are chiefly interested in keeping down expenses should be allowed to say how much they will appropriate for the maintenance of a dependent child, or whether they will appropriate anything at all, when the court has decreed the child to be a dependent."

The court should be empowered to

fix the charge for the child's support and determine upon what town, city, or county the charge shall fall."

## KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 20, 1916.

Mrs. Nellie Sanborn of Boston, Mass., passed Tuesday night with Mrs. Helen A. Johnson of Love lane. She returned home this morning, and was accompanied by Mrs. Johnson, who will be her guest for a week.

Regular meeting this evening of Whipple lodge, I. O. G. T., at Grange hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gerry of Rogers road today moved to the Glover house on Manson avenue.

Mrs. Ella Cole of South Elliot passed Tuesday in town, the guest of Mrs. J. Edgar Burnham of Woodlawn avenue. Mr. Cole leaves this week to pass the holidays with relatives in Lynn, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses G. Sweet of Love lane have been passing a few days with relatives in Dorchester, Mass.

Norman Dunbar of Hebron academy is passing the Christmas recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Callyn Dunbar of Wentworth street.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hantoon of Woodlawn avenue on Tuesday.

Kittery Grange meets on Friday evening at which time there will be an election of officers.

Misses Alice Mills, Marion Morrow, Amelia Meyers and Nellie Call have taken employment in Portsmouth during the holiday rush.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Wildes of Wentworth street returned on Monday from a few days' visit in Boston.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Alonzo Wildes at Commercial street.

This evening at Trapp Academy occurs the second presentation of "Excuse Me," by the class of 1917.

Miss Emma Gerry of North Kittery went to Portsmouth on Tuesday to pass the winter with her cousin, Miss Annie Hanson.

Mrs. C. S. Chick of Kittery Depot passed Tuesday with relatives in York.

The committee in charge of the Christmas tree to be held at the Second Christian church, will be at the vestry all the afternoon from 1 o'clock to receive presents, which they desire to be in as early as possible. The committee will meet Thursday evening with Mrs. J. Edgar Burnham to make tree decorations.

## HAMPTON

Hampton, N. H., Dec. 20.

Miss Harriet of Bates college has been engaged to fill the vacancy at Hampton Academy.

The Senior class will give a musical show and dance at Town hall on Friday evening, December 22.

The Monday club met with Mrs. C. S. Toppin on Monday.

Miss Annie May Cole of the Alkinson high school is home on a vacation.

Mrs. Martha Locke was in town on Monday.

Ernestine Cole arrived home on Tuesday from Mt. Holyoke college for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Frank Merrill of Somersworth was the guest of her niece Mrs. C. S. Toppin on Monday.

The grammar and primary schools will hold a Christmas tree on Friday.

At the Baptist school Miss Hamford's class will have a tree on Thursday. Santa Claus and his wife will distribute the presents.

## GREENLAND

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Congregational church was recently entertained by Miss Lillian Odell.

Miss Alice Dame has returned from a visit to Derry and Manchester.

Richard Moody visited Boston last week.

A Community Christmas tree will be enjoyed at Greenland Parade on Christmas eve.

Several school children are quarantined because of measles.

The Sunday school of the Methodist church will have its annual Christmas tree and entertainment at the town hall on Saturday evening.

Miss Abbie Rand has been spending a few days in Boston.

## SIXTH ANNUAL ASSESSORS' CONFERENCE

### Held at Manchester With 150 Assessors and Selectmen Present.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 20—More than 150 assessors and selectmen gathered in city hall at the opening of the sixth annual conference of the New Hampshire Association of Assessors. John E. Shepard of Concord called the meeting to order here yesterday.

The following officers were elected: John E. Shepard of Concord, president; George E. Turner of Belknap, and Ezra M. Smith of Peterboro, vice presidents; William P. Farmer of Manchester, secretary; John Fargus of Portsmouth, treasurer; Eugene B. Sanborn of Fremont, C. H. Russell of Nashua, Charles R. Spofford of Claremont, George A. Worcester of Milford, John C. Hildings of Stratford and Frank Sleeper of Laconia, executive committee.

Mayor Harry W. Spaulding delivered an address of welcome. President Shepard responded.

"Uniform Accounting, a means to Economy and Efficiency," was the subject of an address by Edward C. Mable of Concord, assistant to the tax commissioner, and the "Relations Between State and Local Accounts," was discussed by State Treasurer John Wesley Plummer of Concord.

Last night's program consisted of papers by Henry W. Bewick, secretary of the Governor's committee on prudential affairs; Mayor J. B. Crowley of Nashua, H. C. Edgerton, treasurer of Portsmouth college, and Walter C. Wyatt, selectman of Tilton.

## EX-CONDUCTOR BARNES DEAD

### Took First Train Out of the North Station After Its Completion.

Frank W. Barnes, who as conductor on the old Pittsburgh railroad, had charge of the first train out of the North station after its completion, died yesterday at his home, 131 Elm street, North Cambridge at the age of 72 years.

His life was adventurous, for at the age of 11, he shipped in the whaling schooner John Adams from Provincetown and for 20 years followed the sea, being twice wrecked on the West coast of Africa. He served in the navy on the frigate Minnesota in the Civil war and saw the battle between the Monitor and the Merrimack.

In April, 1879, he became a freight brakeman on the old Worcester and Nashua railroad, was transferred to the Pittsburgh road a year later and continued with it when it became a division of the Boston and Maine. Mr. Barnes had charge of the first Pittsburgh train that left the new North station and said he had been a conductor of "every kind of a train that ever was sent out on the road from a gravel train to the fastest passenger train."

He was in several "smashups" where men were killed, but escaped injury himself. He was retired in 1912 because of growing deafness, after 33 years and six months with the Boston and Maine.

Mr. Barnes leaves a wife and two children, Mrs. S. W. Kennan of Holyoke and Frank W. Barnes of Sherburne Falls, besides three brothers and four sisters. He was a member of the Royal Lodge of Masons, the Themas Royal Arch Chapter and the Jerusalem Commandery of Elksburg, and the Aleppo Temple, Mystic Shrine of Boston.

## KITTERY POINT

Kittery Point, Dec. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Blake have returned home from a visit with relatives and friends in Candia and Manchester, N. H.

Miss Alice Mills has taken employment in Portsmouth during the holiday rush.

Mrs. Howard Hester left for Malden, Mass., on Monday where she will pass the winter with relatives.

Mrs. Edith Henshaw of Newton, N. H., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Margaret Aimee for a few days.

Mrs. Nathaniel Nutter and Mrs. Forrest Blake were visitors in Dover on Monday.

Miss Mina Moulton of York Village passed Monday evening with relatives in town.

Mr. Herbert Currier who has been employed in Trenton, N. J., for several months has returned to his home here.

Rehearsals for the Christmas music of the Congregational church will be

held tonight and also on Thursday night at the home of Miss Mary Dargby.

Mrs. George Kippell is registered to her home in Kittery after visiting Mrs. Thomas Bray for a few days.

Mrs. Henrietta Kernal has returned to her home in Kittery after passing a few days with Mr. Haven Riley at Pineola.

There will be a rehearsal this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Emery.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Congregational church met at the Community House on Tuesday afternoon. The ladies were engaged in making candy bags for the Christmas tree to be held on Saturday evening. Mrs. Edwin Standish was hostess and served cocoa, turnovers and cornballs.

A rehearsal will be held this evening with Mrs. Adah Tobey for the Christmas music of the Baptist church.

Mrs. Charles Sawyer of the Harbor road was a visitor in Portsmouth on Monday.

Ruth, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. D. Seegar is ill with the measles.

Mrs. Wilbur True is seriously ill at her home at Hotel Pepperell.

## TELEPHONISTS TO SHARE MONEY

### New England Company Provides \$600,000 to Be Distributed to Employees.

More than 13,000 employees of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company will each participate next week, Wednesday, in the distribution of an emergency payment to assist them in meeting unusual present expenses.

Employees who have been in the service one year or more will receive three weeks' pay. Employees who have been in the service less than one year but not less than three months will receive two weeks' pay. No employee will receive more than \$175, and no employee of less than three months service and no general official will in any way share in the payments.

While in no sense a holiday present, the fact that it comes unexpectedly at this time of the year makes it a timely evidence of the continued concern of the company's officers for the welfare of its employees. This distribution, employees, amounting to over \$600,000, was decided by the directors of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at their meeting in Boston on Monday.

Naturally the "voice with the smile" is particularly in evidence among telephone employees with regard to sex or relative rank.

In connection with this announcement President Spaulding said:

"Without trying to pry into the private affairs of our people, we have been impressed with knowledge gained from many sources, that the present increase in the cost of the necessities of life was seriously discounting some of our employees."

"We found that this affected no particular employees, or even class of employees, but that the burden of increased expenses was being felt generally by employees receiving \$3.00 and less, and especially by such as were heads of families or had others dependent upon them. After gathering such facts as seemed necessary for a definite opinion on the subject, I recommended to our directors the plan which they unanimously adopted today."

"We shall make the payments next week, Wednesday. They will represent not charity, on the one hand nor a rates of wages on the other, but rather, if I can reduce the idea to a phrase, messages of good will, understanding and appreciation on the part of the officers of the company for efficient and loyal employees in a temporary time of stress."

4,500 PENNIES SOAKED IN SYRUP, HIS ALIMONY.

Grippe Creek, Colo., Dec. 19.—Mrs. Minnie C. Scanlon, divorced wife of Thomas Scanlon, a miner, has filed suit here to compel her husband to pay her \$45 a month alimony in legal tender. Scanlon, for three months has paid the alimony in pennies. A month ago he sent nine thousand pennies, paying for a month in arrears.

Later, Mrs. Scanlon alleges, he sent 4,500 pennies which had been soaked in molasses. It took her nearly four hours to wash off the molasses, Mrs. Scanlon said.

IN THE HANDS OF EXPERT HORSEMEN

Mudlake and Hill Oak, the only local horses to win hacktack at the Portsmouth Fair are quartered at the Chevrene stable on School street. They are being driven on the road by Arthur Schurman and Norman Beans, preparatory to next season's campaign and judging from appearances will be good in their class.

## GET FIVE TO TEN PER CENT RAISE

### Sixteen Thousand Government Employees Benefit by Senate's Action.

Washington, Dec. 20—Salary or wage increases of from 5 to 10 per cent for about 16,000 government employees receiving less than \$1,800 a year and of \$500 a year for each representative's secretary were provided for in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill passed yesterday by the house without a record vote. The secretaries now get \$1,500 a year. An attempt to provide each representative with an extra stenographer at \$75 a month during the session failed.

Discussion of the measure which carries appropriations aggregating about \$39,000,000 was productive of much debate over the financial conditions of the country. Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriations committee and Representative Rainey of the ways and means committee, protested against the proposed increases on the ground that the government already faced a huge deficit. Representative Rainey declared the next budget would exceed \$1,000,000,000, and that the country was confronted with the possibility of attempting to collect \$500,000,000 more in new taxes.

"How are you going to raise it?" He asked before the Payne-Aldrich bill. That is the proposal some of you make yet to save your lives you cannot frame a tariff bill which will yield over \$350,000,000 a year."

Mr. Rainey also asserted that the limit in revenue had been reached from income taxes, the present rate being the highest in the world and that the nation-wide prohibition soon would make it necessary to raise \$257,000,000 from some new source.

Vessel Movements

The Ammen, has arrived at Templeville.

The Cummings, Nicholson and Rowan at Whitestone.

Davis at New York.

Dolphin at Washington.

Huntington at Salina Cruz.

Oregon at San Pedro.

Panther at Tangier Sound.

Parker at Philadelphia.

Sampson, Wyoming and Yankton at New York.

Sterrett at Key West.

Wilkes at Newport.

Eagle from Guantanamo for Port de Paix.

Barragut, San Pedro for San Clemente.

Florida, New York for Norfolk.

Paducah from Portsmouth for Key West.

Truxton from Marsa Island for Eureka.

The Hancock has been directed to transport certain of the marine forces now in Haiti and San Domingo to Philadelphia to arrive at that city about Dec. 26 or 27.

The Hancock will return to San Domingo, will leave Philadelphia in return trip to Guantanamo about ten days after her arrival.

After the 21st, mail for the Hannibal should be sent "In Care of Postmaster, New Orleans."

The Memphis placed out of commission December 16.

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# SAYS COLUMBIAN DISMISSED BY SUBMARINE COMMANDER

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, Dec. 19.—The German Government's answer to the inquiry of the United States in regard to the sinking of the American steamship Columbian by a German submarine has been handed to Joseph C. Grew, the American charge d'affaires. The note states, according to the Overseas News Agency, that at the time the incident occurred, it was impossible on account of the weather, to see for a distance of three nautical miles. The wind and sea were rather high.

"After a waiting shot and the setting of the signal: 'Send your papers on board,' the Columbian set the signal: 'I cannot discern your flag,' the note continues. 'This answer seemed to be justified on account of the relative position of the ships and the direction of the wind, which directed the flying flag toward the submarine. The submarine, therefore, approached under the water and, through its periscope, made a closer inspection of the steamship, which had topped. The submarine then emerged near the steamer.'

"While the submarine was proceeding under water it was observed that the steamer carried the American flag and bore the name Columbian, New York, and also had wireless apparatus. Judging from her course, the steamer had come from a English or French port. On account of the empty wooden boxes on the deck, she seemed to have landed horses, which are absolute con-

triband of war. "On account of the difficulty of having boats come to the submarine for the purpose of making an investigation the commander of the submarine gave up his intention of inspecting her papers, and signalled to the steamer: 'You are dismissed,' and, running above water, left the steamer. Thereupon the steamer resumed her former course."

The American-Hawaiian steamship Columbian left Boston Oct. 2 for St. Nazaire, France. Touching there Nov. 2, she left the next day for Italy. The vessel sent wireless calls for help Nov. 8, when off Portugal, saying that she was being shelled by a submarine.

A wireless despatch from Madrid Nov. 12, said the crew of 113 were compelled to take to boats thirty miles at sea after the vessel had been shelled, then sunk, by a German submarine. Reports then came from Corunna, Spain, of the landing of the crew there.

Captain F. B. Curtis said the vessel was held up two days in a storm by the submarine U-49, the crew was left in lifeboats and he was taken on board the submarine. He said two torpedoes were fired at the Columbian. The captain was then placed on board a Swedish vessel, the Varang, after two days on the submarine. Captain Curtis reported that he and officers of other vessels that had been torpedoed, were subjected to harsh treatment while on the U-boat.

## WITH THE SPORTS

New York, Dec. 19.—Golf has just I love to watch a fight ritual! To me it is a treat To see just how he gets in shape To stand upon his feet. I see him look a pot of hash And upercup a steak, A left jab to the proper place Lays out both pie and cake. A right cross knifed fried chicken cold— And when he's had his fill, He takes a nap and dreams about A million dollar bill.

How is you amateur standing today?

If you are a tennis player you probably have no such thing as an amateur standing.

But that is nothing to raise a racket about.

Frank Moran intends to be one of the busiest heavyweights this winter. He's looking for dough.

Two months from now ball players will be getting three squares a day in southern training camps. And the poor down-traden magpies will pay for them all.

One can hardly tell from reports whether Thomas Hickey or Mike Caulton is president of the American Association.

As one writer has very ably said—The Houghton system was successful at Yale this year.

"One of the bravest guys" in the world is the fellow who will enter a Marathon race in athletic attire at this time of year. He's either brave or a shellback.

We've gotta hand it to Willard—he made the elephants in the circus turn green with envy at his size.

They refer to sport scribbles as "holled eggs, but the new hands does not fit very well with eggs at 65 and 90 cents a dozen.

Boston Red Sox will give \$50,000 for Walter Johnson. Yes and Barney Dreyfuss would give almost that much for Ty Cobb.

The shades of night were falling fast, Just why I do not know; This story would be just the same Had they been falling slow. Or had there been no shades at all, This yarn I have no doubt, Would be as interesting as A champion wrestling bout.

### OPPOSES THE MUTILATED

His de Janeiro, Dec. 19.—Chief of Police Aurelio Leal declares himself in

favor of restricting the admission to Brazil of mutilated European war veterans. In his opinion "such invalid persons, besides being useless, are noxious and unsuited to new countries as an element of work and production."

### TO KILL GRAFT UNDER CIVIL WAR LAW.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Watchmen who still are guarding the state house at Springfield against a plot to blow it up, which was nipped in 1905, are slated to lose their jobs under the programme of economy which the new legislators plan to put through this winter. The legislators plan to repeal the act which put them in their jobs half a century or more ago.

A few months before Lincoln was assassinated the "copperheads" cooked up a plot to release the prisoners at Rock Island and march on Springfield. There it was planned to dynamite the State house. In great haste the assembly passed a law empowering the Secretary of State and the State Treasurer to hire as many extra watchmen as they believed necessary to safeguard the building.

The plot blew up and the watchmen law became a dead letter. Several years later, however, a certain secretary of state dug up the old law and under its provisions made appointments. Stenographers, janitors, clerks, watchmen and dandelion hunters were put on the payroll as "copperhead watchmen," although of course they were not designated as such on the payroll.

It was not until 1915 that the fact that forty persons were drawing pay under this old law was discovered and an attempt made to repeal the law. It was defeated in the legislature by three votes, but this time it is expected to go through.

### GUILTLESS, BUT BEGS TO GO TO PRISON.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 19.—H. C. Horner, of Wilmington, Kan., wants to go to the penitentiary. But he doesn't want to commit a crime in order to get there. "I voted for you both times. I am going to ask you a favor which will surprise you. I assure you I desire it with all my heart. If there is any possible way by which I may be admitted to the penitentiary without committing a crime for the purpose, I implore you from the very depth of my heart to admit me. Pardon some one if necessary and let his work out his sentence. There is no secret about this. It may be published to the world. I want to go. Please grant me this favor if you possibly can. I will try to be a model prisoner. And you will win my heartfelt gratitude.

Horner doesn't tell why he is making such an unusual request.

### N. Y. XMAS BUYING GREATEST EVER KNOWN.

New York, Dec. 19.—Christmas gift buying here is the greatest ever

known. Department store officials today estimated that the total volume of trade will be twenty-five per cent larger than ever before and that \$200,000,000 in all will be spent here before the holiday. Almost every shop head interviewed expressed his amazement at the prodigious liberality displayed by customers.

### To Manage Ceremonies at the Inauguration.



ROBERT N. HARPER, a bank president of Washington, is to be chairman of the inaugural committee which will have charge of the inaugural ceremonies for President Wilson. He will have plenty of hard work in raising the money for the ceremony and providing for the hundred thousand visitors who will besiege Washington March 4.

### ON THE SQUARE OR NOT?

New York, Dec. 19.—To begin with they call it Times Square, but owing to the fact that it is infested day and night by taxicabs and hat check bands a lot of people fail to see much square about it.

As a matter of fact, it isn't square at all. It's a triangle. Aside from being noted for the Hotel Astor and the Times Building it is famous as having been the scene of the Rosenthal shooting and the headquarters of the Forty-second street Country club. Someone once suggested naming it Crime Square, but that was soon after the death of Rosenthal, and may have been inspired by the excitement of the moment.

The Forty-second street Country club is largely composed of actors, and its other members haven't money either. They are the kind of actors who speak of the "Rialto," but whose theatre of operations is the Broadway sidewalk and who are regarded with deep suspicion by bartenders and the custodians of free lunch counters.

Those who aren't actors are promoters, promoting a sidewalk loan having been developed to a high state of efficiency by these members.

Many of those persons who frequent the square and its side streets become victims of an affliction characterized by the diagnosticians of the detective bureaus as the "Glimme" also known scientifically to the bacteriologists of the district attorney's office as the "Lemmes"—"Glimme" (this and "Lemme") that.

It reaches its most virulent and malignant form about the time the racing season opens.

Times Square is also the habitat of the New York Rocky Mountain Sheep which leaps thirstily from bar to bar.

Sometimes this peculiar creature having predilection for bars, forgetting to leap, remains too long at one bar, with the result that it lands behind a series of bars of another variety only to conclude the performance at the bar of the night court later on.

The night court is largely maintained for the benefit of the denizens of the Tenderloin, who cannot bear to remain behind bars for any length of time. They only feel at home when draped gracefully in front of the managery kind.

### SPECIALLY ANNOUNCED EXAMINATIONS.

The following list shows the specially announced examinations which will be held by the United States Civil Service Commission in the near future and persons desiring to take any of these examinations may obtain the necessary application blanks and information concerning them by applying at the Money Order Counter, Ralph 14, Hill, Local Secretary.

Pharmacist and Physicians Assistant (male) Jan. 17.

Dutymen (male), Jan. 16.

Deputy Collector, Inspector and Agent, Anti-Narcotic Act, Jan. 3.

Oil Gruger (male), Jan. 17.

Assistant Chemist in Forest Products (male), Jan. 17-18.

Surveyor (male), Jan. 17-18.

Assistant Biologist (male), Jan. 16.

Assistant Examiner, Patent Office, Jan. 17-19.

Mechanical Draftsman (male), Jan. 17-18.

Architectural Draftsman (male), Jan. 23.

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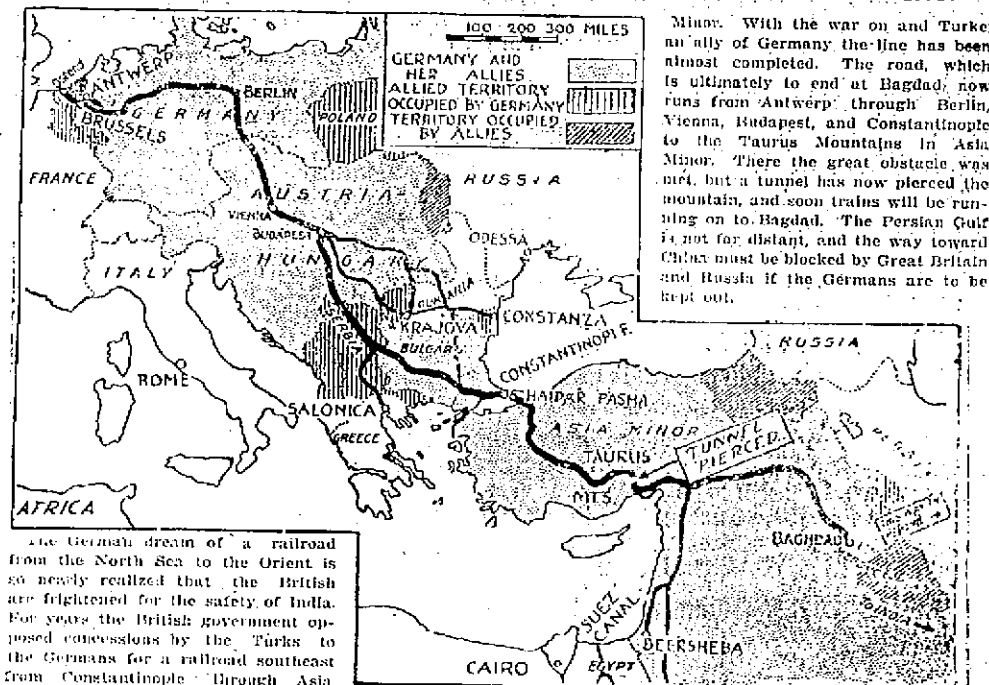
Neckties, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Handkerchiefs, plain and initial, 5c to 50c. Silk Mufflers, \$1 to \$5. Collar Boxes, 50c to \$2.50. Leather Novelties, 25c to \$5. Umbrellas, \$1 to \$5. Bath Robes, \$5 to \$8. Suit Cases, \$1 to \$10.

Fur Goggles, \$1 to \$10. Dress Gloves, \$1 to \$2. Belt and Arm Elastic Sets, at 50c and \$1. Shirts. Child's Storm Capes, \$2.50. Children's Angora Sets, consisting of coat, pant, hat and mittens, \$4 and \$5.

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### Senior Structural Engineer Grade 1

(male), Jan. 23.

Aid, Qualified in Chemistry (male), Jan. 17-18.

Specialist in Cotton Marketing and Warehousing (male), Jan. 16.

Lithographic Map Engraver (male), Jan. 23.

Veterinarian (male), Jan. 17.

Negative Cutter (male), Jan. 16.

Supervising Mining Engineer and Metallurgical (male), Jan. 16.

### VISITING CITY AFTER 27 YEARS.

Henry V. Parks, a native of Portsmouth, and now a business man of Montreal, Canada, is visiting in this city after an absence of 27 years. He is stopping at the Kearsarge and has been renewing acquaintances with those in Portsmouth whom were schoolmates of his and his twin brother, J. William Parks of Boston. He was called from his Canadian home to Boston by the death of his father, now rapidly appearing on the market.

William H. Parks, formerly of this city, and it was also the inspiration for the

### AUTO BUILDERS LEARN FROM AIRPLANE MAKERS.

New York, Dec. 19.—What automobile makers have learned from the airplane builders will be a feature of the first Pan-American Aeronautics Exposition, to be held here February 8 to 15. Together with the latest ideas in air vehicles there will be an exhibition of automobile parts and accessories.

Engineering and research departments of all American motor car companies are interested in the air show. The engineers have learned a great deal from the aerodynamic type of motor which is subject to far greater strain than the automobile motor because it is forced to run at high speed at all times.

The aviation motor has been largely responsible for the development of several makes of multi-cylinder engines—eights and twelves—which are now rapidly appearing on the market.

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### substitution of aluminum for the heavier steel in motor construction.

Conversely, automobile accessories are constantly being adapted for the airplane.

### ENGLISHWOMEN AT FRONT AS CARPENTERS.

London, Dec. 19.—After training as carpenters, English women are to go to the front to erect defenses. Messrs. Tarrant, British government contractors, state that they have received permission to send to France as many women carpenters as they can get and they hoped to train two or three hundred.

In France many women—French and Belgian—were satisfactorily undertaking such work.

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Portsmouth, N. H., Wednesday, December 20, 1916.

Made in America.

There was an interesting incident in a high court a few days ago. An important case was being tried in which a number of witnesses were medical men, most of whom were questioned regarding their education, the opposing lawyers wanting to know that they were competent to testify as they were doing. Some of the doctors testified that they were educated abroad, and did this in a way to indicate that they considered their education superior for this reason. The presiding judge was a thorough American, believing that as good a medical education can be secured in this country as anywhere in the world. He finally asked one of the leading physicians if this was not the case, and the answer was that in no country on earth could a man be better equipped for the practice of medicine and surgery than in the United States. The judge said that had been his opinion for a long time, and thereafter the fact that any witness had been "educated abroad" added no weight to his testimony.

With all respect to the thoroughness with which many things are done in the old and slower-going countries, it would be better if all the people of the United States could get away from the notion that work of practically all kinds is better done in Europe than at home. No one disputes that Europeans are thorough in their work and that some Americans and American institutions are more or less lax and hasty in their methods, but the fact remains that a young man desiring a thorough education in medicine or anything else can procure it in this country if he is willing to do his own part. The work of American surgeons on the battle fields of the present war proves that it is not necessary to go abroad to fit for this most important calling.

There is a class of Americans who attach special value to anything which comes from abroad, whether it be an education or a piece of cloth, but, fortunately, the mass of our people do not feel that way. They are aware that as good work in any line can be done in this country as can be done anywhere on earth and are satisfied with the brand, "Made in America." And so, without detracting from the accomplishments of the Old World, it is quite safe for the people of this country to rely upon American-made goods and American professional men who were fitted for their lifework at home. Such professional men who have fully improved the opportunities to be found here stand second to none in the world.

For some years it has been claimed that radium was a cure for cancer, and now it has been discovered that it is nothing of the sort. On the other hand, the present view is that while it affords relief in some cases it is positively dangerous in others. This will be an unwelcome news, but it is better to know the truth than to go on cherishing false hopes. Neither is it necessary to abandon the hope that in time science will bring forward a remedy for this, one of the most dread diseases that afflict mankind.

The little ones know nothing about the cost of living, to which they add very materially, and are looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus with the usual happy anticipations. May disappointments be few and far between, and with proper thoughtfulness and self-sacrifice on the part of their elders they will be.

General Leonard Wood says "war is coming to the United States as sure as there is a God in Heaven," and implores the country to give the boys who will have to fight the battles a "sporting" chance. In other words he wants training to begin at once. But he doesn't say just when the war is coming.

When it was intimated some weeks ago that owing to the pressure of business Congress might work right through the holidays, we ventured to suggest that when the time arrived the usual vacation would be proclaimed. And, as usual, this newspaper was right.

President Wilson contributes \$2,500 toward wiping out the Democratic campaign deficit. And there is every reason to believe that he does it cheerfully, though it would have been nicer if the work could have been done without aid from such a source.

Leap year is nearing its end and some places report fewer marriages than usual. Can it be possible that the women with all their accumulating "rights" are disposed to show that they are not dependent upon marriage for a living?

Cuba's sugar crop is the largest in the history of the island, but it will probably take the refiners and distributors a long time to find it out, if they ever do.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Hard, Cold Service

(From the Baltimore News)  
This is the sort of weather when traffic policemen, guardians of the Christmas Kettles and all others who have what might be called fixed positions outdoors appreciate the force of the line—  
They also serve who only stand and wait.

### America's False God

(From the Omaha Bee, (Ic.)  
A census of America's false gods, taken by W. J. Bryan, shows up a total of nine. First in the list stands gold. Beside it the remaining eight are insignificant. The tyranny of gold passes belief at times. It has hired men from pressing affairs of state to the Chautauqua circuit, where golden eagles mocked the call of duty. Its crimes are beyond number. Yet it is not a thankless god. Consider the brighter side. A cross of gold with no more substance than a figure of speech once blazed the way to fame and painted the route with its own colors. A false god, truly as a figure of speech, but in substance a mighty exhilarating associate.

### American Jewry's Philanthropy

(From the New York Herald)  
Jews of America have already raised \$6,000,000 for the relief of their co-religionists in Europe, and next Thursday night in this city it is hoped to gather the first million dollars toward a new \$10,000,000 fund that is to be raised in 1917. All the money that has been raised so far has been distributed among those victims of the war for whom it was intended, but the call from Europe is so insistent that the leaders of the philanthropic movement here are expecting practically to double the previous offering.

Inasmuch as the latest statistics indicate there are 2,235,564 Jews in America, it would appear that there has been a per capita contribution of almost three dollars thus far. If the new 1917 fund is raised as contemplated the average contribution of every Jewish man, woman and child in the United States will be about seven dollars. As the public debt of the United States is only \$10.82 per capita, it is evident that the Jews of America are establishing a new high record in philanthropic achievement.

### Beware the Pneumonia Bug

(From the Detroit Free Press)  
Health Officer Price issues a warning against pneumonia. This warning is an annual affair, annually needed and annually suffered to go unheeded by a large number of victims.

The doctor gives some advice concerning the way to avoid the disease. Get fresh air. Cultivate regular habits. plenty of sleep, wholesome food, outdoor exercise. Avoid crowds, excessive fatigue and alcohol. Some of the advice is easily taken. Fresh air is free. Regular habits are generally within the reach of anyone who really desires to acquire them. Wholesome food isn't necessarily expensive food; in fact, some of the most costly diets are the least healthful. Outdoor exercise can be secured by the employment of a little will power. And no one is obliged to indulge in alcohol.

But the avoidance of crowds isn't so easy, particularly for people who must ride in street cars, or indeed for any person who dislikes making a hermit of himself, and almost everyone occasionally finds himself face to face with conditions which force him into excessive fatigue. The danger of the two unfavorable conditions are minimized, however, by the observance of the other rules of health and conduct, and a man who is in good condition can stand association with crowds and can now and then keep going to the point of complete weariness without really endangering himself.

The individual of average strength who lives reasonably has little to fear from pneumonia. If he observes as much of the health officer's advice as is feasible and then does one other thing; catches the cold that has caught him and throttles it while it is young.

### Reaching Real Estate Values

(From the Richmond Virginian)  
If you know of anyone willing to "swap" a dozen good, sound, guaranteed, fresh-laid Haver eggs, and a pound of real butter, for a first-class, modern home, in choice location, let us know, and we think we can bring about an exchange.

### Prepare For the Struggle

(From the Manufacturers Record)  
The work of universal military training should not be postponed a single day beyond the time necessary to pass a bill through Congress for its establishment. If we are ever to have real war dangers they are more likely to come within the next two or three years than at any time in the future beyond that period.

The time may come when the world will cease from war, but there is no sign of it at present. The war god is rampant.

The struggle of civilization against barbarism, of democracy against autocracy is on, and on to the finish.

### At the Corn-Shucking

(From the Atlantic Constitution)  
Harna that hold the plenty of the year are in Georgia settlements where people "live at home" and the fields afford fine corn-shucking times. With reference to this old neighborhood festival, celebrating joytime in

## CURRENT OPINION

America has the figure of youth; and all that is best in western civilization will eventually find lodgment here. The other nations of the west will have to accept this, because it will be evident that the hand of America is cleaner.

The war, to my mind, is the outcome of overgrown materialism, of an ideal based on self interest and not based on harmony.

There are differences between capital and labor because both are working in the interest of their own selves. Peace is but temporary, and other clashes are bound to come. The self interest of nations is the same.

A new readjustment of things is necessary, a new age, when the idea of nationalism will be discarded, when colonies, the storm centers of the world, will be discarded. I think the war has proved this quite conclusively.—By Sir Rabindranath Tagore, Bengalese Poet and Nobel Prize Winner.

Georgia. The Commerce (Ga.) News expresses regret that there are no "corn-songs" as of yore, to negro banjo accompaniment, and presents this picture of a recent corn-shucking in a nearby town.

Mr. T. I. Harbor of Arp gave an old-time corn-shucking a few nights ago. It was old-time in some respects and in others it was quite modern. It was old-time in that there was plenty of corn to shuck. People who shuck corn nowadays shuck just like they used to shuck. There's no new method known to shuck corn. Then, too, it was old-time in that the good supper followed consisting of turkey and turnip salad, cabbage and corn, and potato custards and blueberry and lots of good hot coffee. These days we back it our boyhood days. Some of the old-time features, however, have been eliminated. There were no negro corn songs as of yore, and no spirits. To keep the spirits of the shucker at high tide, sorry the corn song is no more, but glad of the departure of "brandy gone to come no more."

The food trust did not deflate the bill of fare for that occasion; it was home-made and hearty—the fruit of the home-fields, where people toil to live at home.

Never mind if they miss the music of the corn-songs of old—they have the plenty which makes for peace and security from dread of the lean wolves at the door.

### New York at Christmas Time

(From the New York Tribune)  
Nothing in the whole Christmas pageant is more welcome than the appearance of the Salvation Army lassies on the corners, jangling their bells and making cheerful dots of color on the dingy vistas of the streets. We give them a coin gladly for the good they do, and then reach down for a second coin to pay for the part they play in carrying out the colorful tradition of the New York streets.

For a person supposedly so addicted to grubbing for gold, Father Knickerbocker shows astonishing fondness for the picturesque trappings of life. No other city wears its heart on its sleeve as New York does. Is spring at hand? We know it by the rays of arbutus blossoming in Fifth avenue. Has the old lady a tender memory of grandmother's garden where the first blossom on each petted shrub was the occasion of a family rejoicing? Don't try to tell us New York has forgotten not while the lowly lilac is the best seller of May days on the Avenue.

April Fool's Day brings out a horde of dear idiots which in any well regulated New England village would be found only in Grainsy Dame's shop. It is in New York, the sophisticated, the blasé, that we permit the vendor to hold us up on every corner. Rubber pigs and fire-crackers reap harvests on the most austere business streets. The first tray of shamrock will block traffic anywhere. The numbers of Thanksgiving and the confetti of Election Night are the last bits of evidence that Father Knickerbocker is fonder than most of his bit of nonsense now and then.

And so comes Christmas; not a single day of it satisfies the rest of the world, but a whole month—Red Riding Hoods jangling their bells, Santa Claus on every corner bending over to let the children pull his whiskers, holly and mistletoe, piled on the pushcart, the Westworth tower glowing under a jolly red cap, and finally, the miracle in Madison Square Garden, when that centre of commerce becomes, with the lighting of the Christmas tree, the very heart of the city.

With the circumstantial evidence of a whole year treasured up against him, what chance has Father Knick? We know him now. This business of being Old Scrooge is nothing but a bluff, and down in his heart he is just a sentimental old fellow, like the rest of us.

### Another Flower Distinguished

(From the Brooklyn Eagle)  
Every movement needs a flower for its buttonhole. The Food Price Reduction Combine can make only one logical selection, the blossom called in New England "Butter an' Eggs." It is not a noxious bloom, but abhors cold storage as do the agitators who would wear it.

### "Park" For Boston's Means

(From the New York Tribune news columns, Dec. 17)  
Two members from Boston yesterday qualified as the best little park fryers that have ever struck the House of Representatives. They are Messrs. Tagore and Gallivan, and they are

## Nationalism Must Be Discarded to Bring Lasting Peace.

"bringing home the bacon," which means they simply turned the House leaders upside down and jingled the coin from their pockets.

In a spirit of economy the House voted Thursday to discontinue the Sub Treasury at Boston. It was the intention of the leaders to cut off, one by one, all the present "sub-treasures," which are regarded as more or less useless since the advent of the Federal Reserve system.

Yesterday Tagore and Gallivan went to Kitchin, the Democratic floor leader and informed him that unless Boston's sub-treasury was restored they would be compelled to vote with the Republicans in the organization of the next House. At this point the Republican Speaker and the Republican control of committees, House patronage, and, incidentally, of legislation, Mr. Kitchin's feelings may be imagined.

Suffice it to say that Representative Slason, in charge of the bill, finally asked unanimous consent to restore Boston's sub-treasury. Republican leader Mann temporarily blocked this, but there is no doubt that Boston's sub-treasury will be on deck, perhaps with an extra clerk, before the final passage of the bill.

### A Reason for High Wool-Dogs

(From the Springfield Republican)  
Secretary of Agriculture Houston, speaking before the Unitarian Club in Boston, urged the business men of that city and of New England to finance and aid in every way possible the use of pasture land for sheep-raising. The answer to that as it lies in the minds of farmers can be reduced to one word—dogs!

### Hughes as a Vote Getter

(From the Cleveland Leader)  
During the recent campaign if any one had asserted that the votes to be cast for Hughes in Ohio would exceed the total vote in 1912 for Roosevelt and Taft combined and that Wilson would nevertheless carry this state by 30,000 plurality he would have been rated a very silly specimen of political dreamer, not to be taken seriously for a moment. All through the struggle for Ohio the hope of those who supported Hughes was that he would come very near to combining the Taft vote with the Roosevelt vote. Their fear was that he might fail to do so.

Yet the fact is that Hughes received 6778 more votes in Ohio than were cast for Roosevelt and Taft taken together. In 1912 this state gave Taft 278,168 votes and Roosevelt 220,807. The total for both candidates was 507,975. That number exceeded Wilson's vote the same year by 33,141. It was larger than the highest vote ever polled in Ohio up to that time by any Democratic candidate for President.

And now it seems from the official returns that the vote for Hughes in Ohio was 511,753. It was a gain of nearly 5700 over the total for Taft and Roosevelt combined, yet it was not enough by 59,108 to carry the state. In a year filled with political surprises there were few so remarkable as this.

### Needs the Money?

(From the Cleveland Plain Dealer)  
Can it be possible that the Kaiser is after the Nobel peace prize?

### Gives Candy for Recruits

(From the New York Herald news columns)  
Hayes utilized every other expedient to instill the do or die spirit in Rome's young men of army age. Sergeant Joseph Garrett, in charge of the recruiting station at Rome, Ga., has arranged to capitalize revenge by making it sweeter than is customary. Incidentally, he has won the women.

If matters not to the calculating sergeant why any young woman wants her fiance to enlist—whether it be that the country's need stir her to a sacrifice, or that her leap year tenderness has been scorned, or whether the embryonic hero makes her yawn, or whether she cannot think of any foreign service too distant—if she brings a recruit to the office the sergeant gladly gives her a box of candy.

As a result the army is growing daily the cannon makers are jubilant, the girls have a toothache apiece and the sergeant is one of the most contented procurers in the service.

### Solving a Mystery.

(From the Boston Traveler)  
Every now and then some loyal son of Maine living outside of the state writes to the newspapers to deny that the sale of liquor is carried on openly in any portion of Maine and to declare that during his frequent visits to the old home he has never seen any

evidence of a liquor traffic.

Such loyalty as that is easily understood and not to be sneered at. Non-resident sons and daughters of Maine are the right kind of sons and daughters. They very much prefer to live at least eight months in every year outside of Maine, but they are ready to take up their ougals in her behalf whenever occasion arises for them to do so. They believe in constitutional prohibition because Maine has constitutional prohibition, and because Maine has it they know that the sale of liquor is not permitted in and by Maine.

Owing to that fact few of them were interested in the dispatches from Portland this morning, telling how the liquor dealers of that city had received sudden orders to close their stores and keep closed until further notice. The Mayor of Portland refused to discuss the report and nobody knows who issued the order, but the best authorities agree in attributing it to "the wholesalers." If that be true an interesting problem may be in a fair way of solution. Perhaps, after all, the wholesale liquor dealers have charge of constitutional prohibition in the larger Maine cities.

### There She Is, See Her?

(From the Syracuse Post-Standard)  
What has become of the old-fashioned old woman who used to wear a shawl around her shoulders in the house?—Spartanburg Journal.

### Three Christmas Calls.

(From the Dover Democrat)  
A "sacrifice Christmas" has been proposed this year, that is, giving the money usually spent on Christmas gifts to the suffering people of Europe who have been brought by the calamities and cruelties of war to the verge of starvation. Some may do this, while others ignore the proposition altogether, but the more judicious and considerate will heed Europe's call and give presents at home, too, cutting down their list of the latter in order to be able to do both. They can readily do this cutting down without harm and with a gain in the lightening of their burden of Christmas shopping, for Christmas present giving, extending far beyond the family circle, long since attained desirable and needless proportions.

According to the "Spugs" or the Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving, fully 95 per cent of the Christmas gifts are worthless and a waste of money. This estimate may be excessive, but we can all recognize the truth in the exaggeration. We all know that the custom of giving presents at Christmas has grown into a burden when it ought to be only a pleasure. Undoubtedly a useful custom based upon an admirable impulse, has been abused. Many gifts, which impose hard ship upon unwilling givers, produce only a "wish-they hadn't—because—well—have-to-return-it feeling on the receivers. Why should there be such a swapping of valuables or trifles when both parties to the game would be glad to be relieved of the supposed need?

As a means of inaugurating a movement to lighten this burden and return to simpler processes, giving to the needy in Europe and cutting down the list in America this year may serve a doubly useful purpose. Those who send something abroad while remembering the family at home are also likely to keep in mind the ever urgent call of charity in their own community. They can readily answer all three of these calls without increasing their usual Christmas outlay by judiciously blue-pancaking their list and courageously resisting the temptation to indulge without good reason in "useless giving." There would seem to be only three cents that really need to be answered this year—the family, home charities, and Europe starving.

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## MRS. CARPENTER AND YOUNG SON UNITED

After an Enforced Separation of Over One Year.

Concord, Dec. 20.—For the first time in more than a year Mrs. Marguerite Paul-Carpenter of Boston and Ralph G. Carpenter, Jr., her ten-year-old son were reunited today at the Eagle hotel in this city. Mrs. Carpenter is to have the custody of her boy until January 23. The boy was brought to Concord by his father, Major Ralph G. Carpenter from his home in Wolford, and was turned over to Senator Nathaniel E. Martin, chief counsel for Major Carpenter, at the latter's law office.

Sensor, Martin took the boy to the Eagle hotel where they were met by Mrs. Carpenter and her father.

### EXPLOSION IN MINE

NEAR BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, Dec. 20.—One negro was killed and two slightly injured in an explosion at Edgewater coal mine near here today. The explosion was in a pocket.

## VERY LITTLE FIGHTING ON EASTERN FRONT

(Special to The Herald)

Berlin, by wireless to Seattle, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Only artillery fighting is reported from the Macedonian front, according to the official statement given out by the German war office this afternoon. There have been no assaults of any consequence on the eastern front. In the Somme region in isolated sections, and along the fronts on the Aisne and in Champagne, and on the eastern front along the Meuse, only patrol fighting is occurring with occasional firing from the artillery in varying strength, the statement added.

On the east bank of the Golden Bistritza in the Carpathians the Russians are continuing the attacks but without result. In Roumania little or no change has taken place in the situation.

## NAVY YARD NOTES

Christmas Gift of \$100.  
Capt. W. L. Howard in receipt of a check for \$100 for the new Army and Navy Home, sent as a Christmas gift from New York.

Provisions From New York.  
Two carloads of provisions from the New York yard arrived here today for the supply department.

Furniture for U. S. S. Bridge.  
A carload of furniture manufactured at the local yard was sent to Boston today for the U. S. S. Bridge at the Charlestown station.

Will Succeed Klemann.  
Lieut. Winfield Liggett, Jr., formerly attached to the U. S. S. Montana, has been ordered to duty at the local yard as aide to the commandant, succeeding Commander John V. Klemann. He will report for duty on January 15.

On Retired List.  
Chief Boatswain Stanmow of the yard tug Pennacook, has been placed on the retired list of enlisted men with membership in the fleet reserve.

Many Want Leave.  
The requests for leave of absence over the holidays are numerous in the Industrial Department.

Will Make More Work.  
The fact that much electrical machinery will be sent to the yard from the wreck of the U. S. S. Memphis at San Domingo will mean much work in the way of overhauling and repairing in the electric shops.

Ordered to New London.  
Ensign John A. Brownell of the U. S. S. Dubuque has been ordered detached for duty at the submarine base, New London.

Five Given Liberty at Concord.  
Five prisoners confined in the state prison at Concord will be among the 30 which have been granted a pardon by Secretary Daniels. They were brought to the Sutherly today and later released by the commanding officer.

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## NOTICE

All stores will be open evenings beginning Wednesday of this week.

### AN AMERICAN "JOAN OF ARC"

In "Pearl of the Army" Miss White plays the role of Pearl Dare, a twentieth century Joan of Arc who awakens us to the dangers surrounding our country. Her millions of admirers who have followed her adventures in the "Perils of Pauline," "The Exploits of Elaine," and more recently "The Iron Claw" will welcome her return in this patriotic picture which gives her the greatest opportunity of her career. She is supported by an all star cast about which further announcement will be made.

"Pearl of the Army," the latest Pathé serial, will start at the Colonial theatre, next Monday and Tuesday.

### U. S. CONTRACTS FOR 4000 MACHINE GUNS

Washington, Dec. 20—In accordance with the original recommendations of the special machine gun board, the war department yesterday let contracts for 4000 Vickers machine guns and accessories at a cost of \$5,500,000 and announced that additional contracts soon would be let which would bring the sum to be expended on such weapons for the regular army and the National Guard up to about \$9,500,000.

The many friends of Roland Shaw are glad to hear that he is on the road to recovery after his operation for appendicitis.

## WILL SEND IT TO PORTSMOUTH

### Navy Recovering Much Valuable Property From the Memphis at San Domingo.

A large part of the government property which is being recovered from the U. S. S. Memphis, formerly the Tennessee, at San Domingo, will be sent to the Portsmouth navy yard. It is understood that the navy men from the station at Guantanamo Bay, who are working on the ship are doing excellent work and will secure about everything above deck and some valuable stores. So far, the wreckers have taken off the guns, turrets, some boats, electric motors, electric cranes, chains, anchors, pumps, electric dynamos, valves. It is said that the engines as a whole cannot be removed but will be stripped of their parts which can be used on other vessels of the same type if necessary. On account of Portsmouth being the home port of the ship, the navy will provide storage for the property at the Portsmouth navy yard. It is understood that the first shipment of electrical machinery is now on the way and will be sent to the electrical shops to be repaired and put to use again. The Memphis was wrecked during a tidal wave during the latter part of August.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Portsmouth and vicinity—Wednesday fair; Thursday unsettled; not much change in temperature; moderate variable winds.

Sun Rises..... 7:10  
Sun Sets..... 4:14  
Length of Day..... 9:04  
High Tide..... 6:56 am, 7:28 pm  
Moon Rises..... 2:28 pm  
Light Automobile Lamps at 4:41 pm

### PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. James Beaumont of Winchester were visitors here on Tuesday.

Miss Corinne Parsons left today to attend the Christmas holiday dance at Bowdoin.

Fred Gilson, student at Colby, has arrived to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gilson.

William Marvin, John R. H. Pickering, Charles Mannagard and Justin French of Phillips-Exeter arrived here this Wednesday noon for two weeks' vacation.

## LOCAL DASHES

Smile you old grouch, smile! Warmer weather and snow is predicted.

Buy your Xmas Kodak at Montgomery's. Shout for peace and boost Portsmouth.

Fish of all kinds at Clark's Braach. Tel. 133.

The walking political knockers held forth every day.

The Elks are doing the fine thing for the poor as usual.

An epidemic of colds are prevalent at the present time.

Stable blankets at Wood Bros., cor. Chestnut and Congress streets.

Make up your mind to buy those Christmas presents, today.

Shedden's dancing class Thursday evening, Moose hall, High street.

Christmas shoppers were out in goodly numbers on Tuesday.

The Herald is a daily directory of the progressive dealers in this city.

Shirts and pretty neckwear at Kaufman's, cor. Market and Bow streets.

The white news for the small city dailies is to cost five cents per pound.

The Athletic Club boys are planning a big time for the Christmas day celebration.

Our street department should make the roads into the surrounding country passable.

Lobsters and fish of all kinds, caught by our own boats, fresh every day. E. Jameson & Sons, Tel. 245.

Bath robes and pajamas at Kaufman's, Market and Bow streets.

Buy your lobsters, fresh and salt fish of all kinds from the Portsmouth Fish Co., Broughton's Wharf. Tel. 760. Auto delivery. h. 025, 11

What will the new council do for Daniel street?

Harness repairing at Wood Bros., cor. Chestnut and Congress streets.

The new Children's Home will be opened some time the first of the year.

Sweaters, mackinaws, overcoats, at popular prices. Kaufman's, Market St.

Better send in the name of some friend and have The Herald mailed to them as a Christmas gift.

Let the Herald mail a receipt to some one of your friends for a year's subscription. Can you beat it?

Antique and modern furniture upholstered. Hair mattresses renovated. Margeson Bros. Tel. 510. h. 45, 11.

The Eureka Whist Club was entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Harry E. Trafton of Middle street.

Look over the entire fourteen pages of The Herald and tell us frankly if it is not the liveliest local paper ever published in this city.

A new rule on the Atlantic Shore Street railroad prohibits whistling when approaching crossings as has been the custom in times past.

Save money; buy your wood by the barrel; 5 bbls for \$1, or 25c for a single barrel. Portsmouth Kindling Co., tel. 467W. 37 1/2 Hill street. h. 114, 1W.

The stores present an attractive appearance with their large display of goods suitable for Christmas gifts. No city of its size has better stores than Portsmouth.

Street blankets at Wood Bros., cor. Chestnut and Congress streets.

At the meeting of Damen Lodge, No. 9, Knights of Pythias, held on Tuesday evening, the rank of Knight was conferred on three candidates and another member was received by card.

We don't advertise much because our high grade chocolates and home-made candies advertise themselves. Dore Confectionery Store.

## COMMISSION NOT MEETING WITH SUCCESS

Large and Small Publishers Do Not Intend to Cancel Orders.

Washington, Dec. 20—The latest step of the Federal Trade Commission towards finding a solution to the news print paper shortage is a dismal failure. Replies to the question whether publishers would curtail their demands for 1917 no far show that the publishers are disinclined to consider cutting down their orders.

## LITTLE ACTION TAKING PLACE

Paris, Dec. 20—Little action is taking place about Chamberettes, and Touremont and only patrol fighting occurred during the night. About Verdun heavy artillery fighting is going on.

# Record-Breaking Clothing Values

Open Every Evening This Week

New Fashionable

## Holiday and Mid-Winter APPAREL

Right in the Height of the Season at This Splendid

## REDUCTION

RIGHT NOW IS THE TIME. YOU WILL GET MORE PLEASURE OUT OF THE WEAR OF NEW GARMENTS THIS FINE WEATHER, AND AT THE SAME LOW JANUARY PRICES. BESIDES YOU CAN CHOOSE HERE OF THE GREATEST ASSEMBLAGE OF STYLES, FABRICS AND COLORS WE HAVE EVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW YOU. COME IN. YOU ARE APT TO FIND HERE JUST THE KIND OF GARMENT YOU'VE BEEN WANTING AT THIS HOLIDAY MARK DOWN SALE.



## SUITS

Your Choice in hundreds of brand new styles, leading colors, marked down.

You will find many fine tailored

## SUITS

Staple models of early Fall arrivals, suitable for year round wear. All sizes including styles especially built for large figures, at a big reduction.



### Gowns and Dresses

In Sport Coats, Raincoats, Mackinaws, Sweaters, Girls' Rain Capes, Scarfs and Toques of the best guaranteed qualities at most reasonable low prices.

### New Styles

Prettiest new 1917 Fashions. They are more charming than any of the previous styles. Everything that is new in color of the finest quality silk at a guaranteed saving. Evening costumes and silk dresses for every occasion.



## MILLINERY

Just received a special holiday assortment of beautiful up-to-the-minute new trimmed hats, correct winter styles at a reduction of 25 to 33 per cent.

# THE SIEGEL STORE CO.

57 Market Street. Phone 520.

The Store of Quality for the People.

## COATS

Decided Mid-Winter Fashions marked down. Wonderful collection of HIGH GRADE COATS Esquimette silk plush with rich raccoon, bouffon and beaver trimmings at a great reduction.

Coats that are great bargains of all wool chinchilla, cheviots, novelty mixtures, silk corduroy and silk velour at a great reduction.

### GIRLS' COATS

Gigantic assortment of the newest winter fashions of warmest durable new materials, all colors, all sizes, all styles at a grand money saving reduction.



### WAISTS

Newest Holiday Styles of every material, silk, satin, silk taffeta, dainty georgette crepe, crepe de chine, lace net over silk chiffon, all leading new shades at low January prices.

### New Christmas Waists

Correct 1917 styles of cotton voile, crepe, lawn, batiste, exceptional values at 98c.

### SKIRTS

Of every popular material of velour, silk, serge, poplin, checks, plaids, wool mixtures at the most reasonable low prices, all wool skirts.

### FURS

Women's, Misses' and Children's Sets, Muffs and Scarfs of reliable quality raccoon, red fox, black fox, mink, seal, fitch, mole, marmot, skunk, wolf, lynx, opossum, martin, new leading styles at an actual money saving reduction.

## ORIENTAL GIFT SHOP

(Open Evenings)

## Portsmouth's Store of Beautiful Gifts

Over 1000 Novelties to select from

From 5c to \$5.00

WE SOLVE YOUR GIFT PROBLEMS.

## ORIENTAL GIFT SHOP

Opposite Public Library.

## COLONIAL THEATRE

At 2:15—10c, 20c  
At 7:15—10c, 20c, 30c

TONIGHT—Big Laughing Show—Merle's Cockatoos, Davis & Walker, Doris Hilton, West & Van Sicklen, Lew Franklyn, Hearst News.

THURS.—The Photo-Play Event of the Season

## Clara Kimball Young

In the 7-Reel Super-Picture, "The Common Law," by Robert W. Chambers.

NOTE—"The Common Law," W.M. Be Shown at 3:30 and 9:00 p. m.

Marion Littlefield FLORENTINE SINGERS Vaudeville's Best Vocal Offering

Saturday Afternoon, Christmas Tree for the Children, A Gift for Every Child!

COMING—LUKEN'S BIG INDOOR CIRCUS!

## MISS FARMER LEFT NO WILL IN YORK COUNTY

Testament Said to Be in This State; Big Legal Battle Looked For.

The general opinion is that there will be a long and lively fight over the estate of the late Sarah J. Farmer of Elliot, the founder of Green Acre, and rumors are flying thick and fast concerning her will, etc.

probate in the New Hampshire court. It is also said that a petition for administration will be presented in the York county probate court at the session to be held in Biddeford the first Tuesday of January.

As far as can be learned Miss Farmer left no estate other than that located in Elliot and if the testament was left in this state it appears that a legal battle is on the way which is likely to keep the name of the famous woman before the public for many days to come.

### CAMP GIRL AT HOSPITAL

Miss Josephine Ruhfel of Brooklyn, N. Y., a member of the Lander Camp at Elliot was brought to the Portsmouth hospital on Tuesday where she underwent an operation later in the evening.

Miss Nellie Hazeltine of Providence, R. I., is passing a few days in this city.

## UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Is Endorsed by Edward Harding of the Universal Military Training League.

Washington, Dec. 20—Universal military training and service as endorsed by Ernest Harding of New York, representing the Universal Military Training League, before the senate sub committee which is considering the Chamberlain bill today. Harding urged that the committee report favorably on the bill and that

the members work towards its passage.

### OFFICIAL VISITATION

Grand Scribe Arthur C. Stuart and suite of Concord made an official visitation to Washington Chapter, No. 3, Royal Arch Masons on Tuesday evening. Following the work, a banquet was served.

To feel strong, have good appetite and digestion, sleep soundly and enjoy life, use Burdock Blood Bitters.

VIA RAIL A BOAT

BAY STATE LINE NEW YORK \$2.50  
OUTSIDE STATEROOMS, \$1.00  
Stool Steamships  
GEORGIA and TENNESSEE  
Daily including Sunday, between Providence and Pier 15, East River, N. Y.  
Approved Service—Tel. Main 1745. Our Ticket Office, 228 Washington St., Boston.

## CARPENTER BOY ON THE WAY TO HIS MOTHER

Father and Son While Waiting  
for Train Here Talk to Her  
Over the Wire.

Major Ralph Carpenter and his son, Ralph, Jr., were in this city today on their way to Concord where the child is to be turned over to his mother, Mrs. Margaret Carpenter.

Marguerite Carpenter by order of Judge Kivel of the superior court. During their wait for the Concord train the boy called his mother at the Eagle hotel from one of the telephone booths and told her that he was on his way and would be there shortly after 11 o'clock. Following the boy's conversation the father took the telephone and had a few words with Mrs. Carpenter stating that he would see her later. The boy has not been seen or talked with his mother for the past 15 months. She has engaged a pleasant suite of rooms at the Eagle on the second floor looking out on the State House Park.

For carache, toothache, pains, burns, scalds, sore throat, try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, a splendid remedy for all emergencies.

## ANNOUNCING New Buick Prices Effective Jan. 15, 1917

The Buick Motor Company, makers of the famous Buick Valve-in-Head motor car, announce an increase in prices for all models, effective January 15th.

This increase, delayed as long as possible in hopes of relief in the material situation, is made necessary by increased cost of raw material. While other manufacturers have been increasing their prices, the Buick Motor Company has fought it off and endeavored in every way to continue the present high-class car at its present price.

Prices of material and labor have been steadily advancing for months, making the car much higher in cost to us than when prices were made. For several months past we have kept to our original prices in spite of this. Continued advances in the cost of material made this impossible longer and the Buick Motor Company had the alternative of either lowering the standard of its product or maintaining its high standard with an increase in price—and the latter was decided upon.

The number of cars we will be able to furnish Buick dealers and prospective purchasers are limited and it is therefore to your advantage to place your order immediately if you hope to get a Buick at present prices.

After January 15 the prices will be:

4 Cylinder Roadster	\$660.00
4 Cylinder Touring Car	675.00
6 Cylinder Roadster	1040.00
6 Cylinder Touring Car	1070.00
6 Cylinder Coupelet	1440.00
6 Cylinder Sedan	1835.00

(All Prices F. O. B. Flint, Mich.)

### HIRAM E. WEVER

Rogers Street,

Portsmouth, N. H.

## OLYMPIA THEATRE

ANOTHER MAMMOTH PROGRAM OF  
EXCELLENT PLAYS

FOR WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY  
With the Following Array of Celebrated Stars

WILLIAM FOX PRESENTS  
**VIRGINIA PEARSON**  
In "DARE-DEVIL KATE"

A soul-stirring story of a woman's redemption. It is a fine melodrama of the East and the West, depicting a woman's rise from owner of a small saloon in the western town to the wife of an eastern clubman.

**EDDIE POLO** in "LIBERTY"  
Or "A DAUGHTER OF THE U. S. A."

The 8th episode of this serial. A tremendous hit in every state in the Union. Immensely popular with everybody because it portrays exactly what is happening NOW in Mexico.

PALLAS PICTURES.

PARAMOUNT PICTURES.

**DUSTIN FARNUM** in  
"DAVID GARRICK"

The play made famous by Lawrence Barrett and the elder Southern. There are few plays on the American stage more popular than "David Garrick". The film play follows very closely the lines of the play on the speaking stage.

ANNOUNCEMENT EXTRAORDINARY for FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
**WILLIAM S. HART** with **LOUISE GLAUM**  
In "The Return of Draw Eagan."  
Hart in His Famous Role of "Western Bad Man."

## FOR CONTROL OF RADIO STATIONS

Bill for Sweeping Revision of  
Wireless Laws Before  
Congress.

Washington, Dec. 20.—First steps towards ultimate government control of all radio communications between the United States, its outlying possessions and ships at sea are proposed in an administration bill laid before congress yesterday providing for a sweeping revision of the laws regulating wireless stations.

The proposal is in the line with a plan worked out nearly a year ago by navy wireless experts and endorsed by Secretary Daniels and other administration officials in an informal suggestion to all of the American republics for uniform government wireless control throughout the Western Hemisphere.

As an initial step the measure presented yesterday would authorize the federal government to purchase commercial stations where the owners are willing to sell at a fair valuation; would permit government owned plants to be opened for private commercial business and in the interest of national defense would throw restrictions about the participation of aliens in the control of operation of American wireless. Every private concern operating in the U. S. would be required under the bill to bring at least two thirds of the stock under American ownership and to have a two thirds majority of Americans on the board of directors. No alien would be licensed as an operator in any land plant on American territory.

## PERSONAL PICKUPS

Colgate Fish has returned from a few days' visit in Boston.

Ralph C. Dickey has returned from a business trip to Detroit, Mich.

Joseph M. Hassett and son John Hassett passed Tuesday in Boston.

Norman Dunbar who attends Hebrew Academy is home for the holidays.

Frank Massey who attends Bryant & Stratton is home for the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Horace L. Rowe left on Wednesday for Sabattus, Me., to pass Christmas.

Mrs. Boynton, wife of Conductor William F. Boynton is restricted to her home by a severe cold.

The many friends of Miss Georgina Moses are grieved to hear that she is confined to her bed at present.

Gerald A. Foss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Foss of Rye is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Harry O. Rand at Salem, Mass.

George N. Andrews of Nashua was here today to attend the annual meeting of the Granite State Fire Insurance Company.

Mrs. Archie Kilpatrick and son Ralph of Hanover street left today for Henniker where they will pass the holiday season.

Miss Martha Newton, student at Hasset passed Tuesday in Boston to pass the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newton of South Street.

Edward F. Donovan of the Internal revenue office clerical force, left Tuesday for his home in Concord, N. H., where he will pass the holiday season.

Mrs. J. Wallace Lear who has been passing the past week at Beverly, Mass., called there by the sickness of Mrs. Angeline Lear, returned home on Tuesday evening.

The condition of Mrs. J. Spencer Lilley who has been undergoing medical treatment in Boston is very much improved, which will be gratifying news to her many friends.

George A. McPheters who has been teaching at the Mitchell Military School in Billerica, Mass., has arrived to pass the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. George M. McPheters of Union street.

GETS \$1,000 DAMAGES FOR SKINNED KNEES.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 19.—The court of appeals has found that skinned knees caused Fred Kincaid sixteen years old, of St. Joseph, Mo., to stutter and has affirmed the verdict of the Buchanan County Court, awarding him \$1,000.

The judgment was against a laundry in St. Joseph. The boy worked for the laundry. His trousers were caught in the machinery and his knees skinned. The injury affected his nerves and impaired his speech.

MELT UP CHINESE "CASH" FOR METAL

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—Chinese "cash," the round coins with a square hole in the middle, may soon be a thing of the past in China. The Japanese are buying them for the cop-

per they contain. News of the impending disappearance of this cheap coin was sent by Consul General Geo. E. Anderson of Hong Kong, who sees in the scarcity of "cash" much difficulty among the Chinese in doing business. The rise in the price of copper, he writes, has made these coins, which usually contain about 89 per cent of copper more valuable as metal than as a medium of exchange. For a time more than 6,000 tons of the coins were exported monthly to Japan alone.

## THE HERALD HEARS

That Allen, the local crack checker player thinks he can grab some of the honors away from G. A. Trafton and has issued a deft to the blacksmith.

That he wants a series of games to decide the championship of the state.

That the blacksmith's friends and admirers believe he has Allen beat before they start.

That Allen claims he has something in checkers that the artist at the anvil never saw before.

That Joseph Mott, well known resident of Newington, made a hit with his fine pen of white wyandottes at the poultry show.

That a little more age on Joe's birds and the prizes will come easy and fast.

That the girls who made that sleigh ride to Greenland on Tuesday night say that there was plenty of speed to the boys but not in the transportation.

That they never expected to walk half the way to the town hall.

That they will request the boys to see the town selectmen and arrange for some snow on the bare spots and the drifts in other places removed.

That they do not take to the "get out and push" stunt.

That the boys at the Consolidation Coal Company office are still looking for those snakes and think Santa Claus may drop in with some 7-20-4's at Christmas.

That the sheriffs at Bladeford who hunt up wet goods seized 3,500 gallons of liquor and 3,200 gallons of beer in four years.

That the booze was recently shipped to Boston where the alcohol will be extracted and sold.

That the money will go to York county.

That it is a safe bet that some of this is of the hardware variety.

That the councilmen-elect are still being held up by the buttonhole delegation.

That the present employees of city hall continue to smile.

That it is about time to think up the New Year's resolutions including a trip on the water wagon.

That the city government of Lewiston has ordered the establishment of a municipal fuel yard.

That the price of coal will be cut quite a bit in the sale of wood and coal.

That a snow shovel would make a very appropriate Christmas present to some people.

That railroads are being torn up in Canada for iron to send to the European war.

That the British government might have gathered in the Portsmouth and Greenland had it spoken in time.

That one of the Republican defeated candidates for councilman says he will come back next year for the big show and will head the ticket for mayor.

That he simply ran this time to get his name on the ballot and to introduce himself in the local political circles.

That some doctor comes out with the claim that a banana diet may be conducive to longevity.

That the stuff under the skin may be all right but it is not always longevity for the man who slips on the pool on the sidewalk.

That the Veteran Firemen say that nobody has yet hit the trail although one in the ranks may go down on the sawdust at New Years.

That the Friendship club on Congress street are talking of erecting into sporting circles with a bowling team.

That the South Pond has no peach orchard fragrance at times.

## OBITUARY

Horace J. Ham.

The death of Horace J. Ham, a former well known resident of Portsmouth, occurred on Tuesday in Warren, where he had been living for some years, conducting a clothing store. Mr. Ham was educated in the Portsmouth public schools, being graduated from Portsmouth High school in 1906 and was formerly employed in the clothing store of Fred W. Lydston & Co. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Lillie Watson of this city, and one child, besides his father and a sister. He was affiliated with the Masonic Fraternity, and was well liked and popular with all with whom he came into contact.

William H. Parks.

William H. Parks of this city, a retired U. S. Naval man, died suddenly at the Boston City Hospital, Dec. 16, aged 67 years. He is survived by his twin sons: J. William Parks of Boston, and Henry V. Parks, formerly of Portsmouth, a resident of Montreal, Canada.

## GERMAN PRESS COMMENTS ON GEORGE'S SPEECH

Believe Gulf Is Wide and No  
Immediate Outlook of  
Peace at Hand.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The German newspapers have adopted a pessimistic tone in discussing the peace speech delivered by Lloyd George in the British House of Commons yesterday. Extracts from the German press follow:

Tageblatt—Lloyd George said that whoever wantonly prolongs the war will have a crime on his soul. Do not these words imply self condemnation when his refusal to discuss terms of peace until Germany makes further promises, is made in the same speech?

Local-Anzeiger—If Lloyd George means to postpone the bringing of peace to war-ridden Europe until such time as the Entente Allies have conquered the German armies and her allies, that Europe will know full well that this means eternal war unless it is in the power of Germany to force the end of the war by crushing her enemies.

## SEMINOLE PASSENGER IS DITCHED

Near Cold Ridge, Alabama;  
One Killed and Twelve  
Injured.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 20.—One man was killed and 12 injured when a broken rail on the Seminole limited of the Illinois Central threw it into a ditch at Cold Ridge, Alabama today. The engine, tender, and six cars were derailed. None of the Pullmans left the track.

## CONTRACT FORM AGREED UPON

Legislators Will Ride on Two-  
Cent Tickets and  
Mileages.

Concord, Dec. 20.—Members of the 1217 legislature, who ride back and forth from their homes on the days they attend the session, will use regular commutation tickets, instead of special mileage such as has been the custom heretofore. Members who stay in Concord the three or four days of the week will have mileages, as will the department officials, who ride at the state's expense the year round. The commutation tickets will be paid for at the current rates and the mileages will cost two cents a mile.

## SOUTH ELIOT

South Eliot, Dec. 20.—The eleven o'clock whist club were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robinson at their home at South Eliot on Tuesday evening. Five tables were in play and prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies, to Miss Ruth H. Young; gentlemen, to George McKenney; consolation to Mrs. George Howe. Following the play light refreshments were served and the remainder of the evening pleasantly passed.

Headquarters For New  
Hampshire People

## HOTEL BELLEVUE BOSTON

Strictly Fireproof!  
Convenient to Theatre and  
Shopping District.

Harvey & Wood  
Proprietors

## WILL MEET AT SOMERSWORTH

Seventy-Eighth Meeting of  
the Pascataqua Congrega-  
tional Club Dec. 21.

The seventy-eighth meeting of the Pascataqua Congregational club will be held at the Congregational church, Somersworth, on Thursday, December 21 and will be attended by a number from this city. There will be a business meeting of the club at 11:30 o'clock at which time the names of candidates for membership can be presented. In connection with this meeting there will be a report of the Outlook committee submitted by Rev. Dr. Edward Robie of Greenland. Dinner will be served at 1 o'clock in the church vestry by the ladies of the entertaining church. The address of the day will be given in the church auditorium by Rev. William J. Campbell, pastor of the Whiston church, Portland, Me., who will speak on the subject, "Our Congregational Opportunities," one well suited to the occasion and our historic situation.

For a mild, easy action of the bowels, try Doan's Kidney Pills, a modern laxative, 25c at all stores.

WANTED—Girls to work in stitching room. New Castle. Show Card 420, 41.



Our Christmas stock of candies is larger than in former years and despite the tendency of all prices to rise.

Our prices are reasonable this year.

We specialize in Ribbon Candy, Broken Candy, Candy Cakes, Candy Baskets and numerous other novelties for Christmas trees, and the stock is new and fresh for the Holiday season. Come in now and take advantage of the big stock.

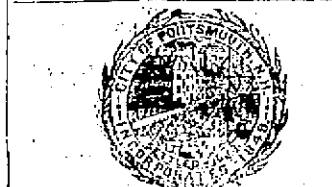
**NICHOLS' CANDY STORE**  
Congress St. Tel. 142W.

## WINSLOW'S SKATES

Vacuum Bottles, Lunch Kits, Flashlights, Erector Sets, Clocks, Watches, Razors, Razor Blades, Scissors, Pocket Knives, Pocket Compasses, Thermometers, Carrying Sets, Food Choppers, Steel Tapes, Lanterns, Etc.

## W. S. JACKSON,

111 Market Street.



CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

4% SERIAL BONDS

In accordance with a resolution passed by the City Council, Nov. 23, 1916, sealed bids will be received by the City Treasurer until Dec. 27, 1916, at 10 a. m. for \$5,000 bonds of the City of Portsmouth, N. H., to be issued for the purpose of building a stand pipe on the Beverly Brook water line, in the denominations of \$1,000 each, dated Jan. 1, 1917, and bearing interest at the rate of 4% per annum, payable semi-annually at the office of the City Treasurer. These bonds will be payable as follows: \$1,000 on Jan. 1, 1918; \$1,000 on Jan. 1, 1919; \$1,000 on Jan. 1, 1920; \$1,000 on Jan. 1, 1921; \$1,000 on Jan. 1, 1922. These bonds are tax exempt to residents of New Hampshire. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Bids must be sent to the City Treasurer, Portsmouth, N. H., plainly marked "Bid for 4% serial bonds of City of Portsmouth, N. H." JOHN C. HATCHER, City Treasurer.



## Our Laundry

is equipped with modern machinery and competent help. Therefore we are able to give you good work and at a less cost than it would be to have it done in your home. Send us your washing and let us prove these claims. If not satisfactory tell us.

## NEW METHOD LAUNDRY

Tel. 373. Commercial Wharf. Water Street.



**TO YOUR HEALTH**  
and to your everlasting satisfaction. We toast you in the name of vitality and good cheer. Our cellars contain the choicest goodies that are served with a view to the smack and ting of perfection. Look over our wine and liquor lists. The prices will be equally satisfactory.

**JOSEPH SACCO**  
122 Market St.

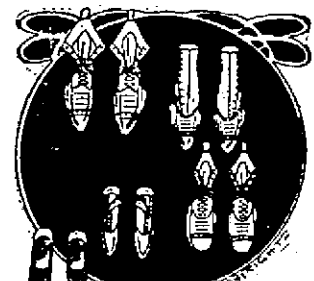


## Greetings of Yuletide!

We are winding up a successful year. Accept our thanks for your appreciation of our efforts in your behalf. We think that we deserve the prosperity that is ours. We wish you an even greater measure. One way to contribute to your own prosperity is to enlist yourself with us.

## Home Washing Co.,

LIZZIE M. GROVER, Prop.  
315 Maplewood Ave. Tel. 452W



## BIG AND LITTLE

We all do wear out shoes. It's the best of shoes to walk and those days, but it is surprising how soon almost new footwear will need our services in careful

**SHOE REPAIRING**  
We use good materials and do expert work. Our prices are always reasonable and we get all jobs out promptly. Reliable work at lowest prices.

**FULIS BROTHERS**  
157 Congress Street.

## 7-20-4

R. G. SULLIVAN, Mfr.  
Advance in price is an assurance to the smoker that the uniform high standard of this famous 10c Cigar will be maintained.

**FACTORY**  
MANCHESTER, N. H.





# For the Holidays

The D. F. Borthwick Store will be open evenings beginning Wednesday, December 20th.

## Good To Remember--

That substantial gifts may be found in our Housekeeping Department, also

COTTON, WOOL AND SILK FABRICS,  
COATS, SUITS, WAISTS, BATHROBES,  
GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS, RIBBON, NECKWEAR,  
WORSTED GOODS, BOOKS, STATIONERY,  
AND FANCY GOODS

In the Several Departments of the

## THE D. F. BORTHWICK STORE

### FUNERAL NOTICE

Funeral services of William Henry Parks, U. S. N., retired, who died in Boston on December 16th, will be held at Undertaker Nickerson's chapel, 13 Daniel street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends invited.

## A FRESH STOCK

Of Brass Cadet Lanterns, Eveready Flash Lights, H. & B. Pocket Knives, Safety Razors, Scissors, Meriden Carvers, Meccano Sets, Thermos Bottles, Thermometers, Alarm Clocks, Lunch Kits, Ice Skates, and many other useful articles suitable for gifts.

## Pryor-Davis Co.

THE OLD HARDWARE SHOP

36 Market Street.

Telephone 509.

Portsmouth, N. H.

## INSURANCE COMPANIES ELECT OFFICERS

### Three Local Fire Insurance Companies

Show a Gratifying Increase in Business and Plans for Further Advancement Discussed

The annual meetings of the Granite State Fire Insurance Company, Piscataqua Fire Insurance Company and Portsmouth Fire Insurance Company, were held at 11 o'clock Wednesday at the offices in the National Bank Block. The companies showed a large increase in business and they are all in a healthy condition. It is quite likely that the next annual meetings will be held in a new building. The plans for the new building were talked over at the meeting.

The following officers were elected: Granite State Fire Insurance Co. Calvin Page, president; Joseph O. Hobbs, vice president; Alfred P. Howard, secretary; John W. Emery, assistant secretary. Directors—Calvin Page, Alvah W. Sulloway, George N. Andrews, Parker W. Whitmore, Fred H. Ward, Joseph O. Hobbs, Frederick M. Sise, William G. Everett, J. Arthur Brown, William C. Walton, Alfred P. Howard, John W. Emery, Wallace D. Smith, Sumner Wallace.

Portsmouth Fire Association Calvin Page, president; Joseph O. Hobbs, vice president; Alfred P. Howard, secretary; John W. Emery, assistant secretary. Directors—Calvin Page, Joseph O. Hobbs, Alfred P. Howard, John W. Emery, William C. Walton, Sumner Wallace.

Piscataqua Fire Insurance Co. Calvin Page, president; Joseph O. Hobbs, vice president; Alfred P. Howard, secretary; John W. Emery, assistant secretary. Directors—Calvin Page, Joseph O. Hobbs, Alfred P. Howard, John W. Emery, William C. Walton, Sumner Wallace.

It is time someone in authority assisted in making the roads in the di-

**AT DEDES'**  
California Malaga grapes, 15c lb.  
Christmas ribbon candy, 2 lbs. in a box for 30c.  
Imported Spanish Malaga grapes, best quality, 20c lb., 2 lbs. for 35c.  
New England walnuts, 20c lb.  
New Mixed Nuts, 20c lb.  
Chestnuts, pecans, almonds and almonds, 20c lb.  
California shell walnuts, almonds and cashews, 25c lb.  
Figs and dates, in bulk or packages.  
Indian River oranges, good size, sweet and juicy, 15 for 25c.  
30c doz.  
Large California Sunkist oranges, Large grapefruit, thin skin, juicy, 4 for 25c.  
Fancy pears, cantaloupes and strawberries.  
All sizes fancy candy boxes, from 25c to \$3.00, make a great Christmas gift.  
Mixed chocolates, 35c lb. for 25c.

### BREAK OUT THE ROADS

It is time someone in authority assisted in making the roads in the di-

rection of Greenland, Rye, Newington and New Castle St. for travel. It is up to some one to get a move on.

### ANNUAL BANQUET

Dartmouth Alumni Association Will Feast at the Rockingham Dec. 27.

The second annual banquet of the Dartmouth Alumni Association of Portsmouth and vicinity will be held at the Rockingham on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27 at 7 o'clock. The committee in charge has arranged a very interesting program and there will be remarks by prominent members of the alumni and possibly a member of the college faculty.

### BIG DECREASE IN GRAIN SHIPMENTS FROM PORTLAND

The loss of steamships during the war shows the great loss of grain shipments from Portland to the several European ports. During November the export grain forwarded from that city amounted to 1,187,078 compared with 2,445,592 for the corresponding month of 1915. A total of 1,248,514 bushels.

### NEW STEAMER FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES

The new steamer Halcyon, built for the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, has just been launched by the Townsend Navigation and Construction Company at Boothbay Harbor, Me. The boat cost \$350,000, is 108 feet long, has a beam of 22 feet and draws 8 feet of water.

### FORMER PORTSMOUTH BOY RE-MEMBERS ISLES OF SHOALS BIRTH PLACE

Elvin S. Newton of Manchester, formerly of this city, has given the trustees of the Isles of Shoals Summer Meetings Association the sum of \$350, \$250 of which he wishes to have used in pulling in perfect repair Cottage B, in which he was born. Henceforth its name will be the Newton Cottage. The remaining \$100 is to be used in restoring the old cemetery.

### WILL TEAR UP THE TURF

Racing Secretary Allen of the Fair Association has arranged a race that



### CHRISTMAS CONCEITS

In beautiful boxes, combination sets of suspenders and arm bands, suspenders, arm bands and garters, belts and garters, belts, arm bands and garters. All the same articles also boxed separately.

## Henry Peyser & Son

"Selling the Togs of the Period."

## NOTICE

Royal Arcanum, Alpha Council. Will hold election of officers on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20, 8 o'clock. Moose hall, Peirce block. This meeting is important.

F. T. HARTSON, Sec. The Herald requests choir masters.

### ATTENTION, F. O. E.

A regular meeting of Mercedes Aerio, No. 632, F. O. E., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to attend as a big social and entertainment will follow the routine business. MICHAEL J. LYNCH, President. RAPHAEL PAOLA, Worthy Secretary.

Read the Want Ads.

## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

# Practical Gift Suggestions Timely Helps for Busy Day Shoppers



### Gifts for Women

Lingerie Waists.....98c to \$2.50  
Tailored Blouses.....98c to \$1.25  
Middie and Smocks.....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
Georgette Crepe Waists.....\$3.98 to \$7.98  
Crepe de Chine Waists.....\$2.98 to \$5.98  
Silk Lace Waists.....\$2.98  
Striped Tub Silk Waists.....\$2.98 to \$5.00  
Windsor Ties.....25c, 50c  
Middy Ties.....50c  
Boudoir Caps.....25c, 50c  
Four-in-Hand Ties.....25c, 50c  
Dress Collars.....25c to \$1.50  
Coat Collars.....25c to \$1.50  
Stocks and Jabots.....25c, 50c  
Gulmpers.....\$1.50  
Vestees.....50c to \$1.50  
Fleece Lined Hose.....29c to 55c  
Cotton Hose.....15c to 55c  
Plain Silk Hose.....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
Fancy Silk Hose.....\$1.25  
Fibre Silk Hose.....35c to 50c  
Wool Golf Hose.....\$2.00  
Cotton Union Suits.....50c to \$1.50  
Wool Union Suits.....\$2.00 to \$3.00  
Silk and Wool Union Suits.....\$2.50 to \$3.00  
Cotton Vests and Pants.....29c to 75c  
Woolen Vests and Pants.....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
Glove Silk Vests.....\$1.50 to \$2.98  
Mercerized Knickerbockers.....\$1.00  
Huck Towels.....5c to 59c  
Bath Towels.....12 1/2c to 50c  
Bath Mats.....75c to \$1.25  
Wash Cloths.....5c each  
Wash Cloth Cases.....25c, 50c  
Lace Scarfs.....\$1.50  
Lace Lunch Cloths.....\$1.00 to \$2.98  
Embroidered Handkerchiefs.....50c  
Pattern Table Cloths.....\$1.00 to \$10.00  
Damask Table Napkins.....75c to \$7.50  
Mercerized Linen Cloths.....50c  
Muslin Corset Covers.....25c, 50c  
Muslin Drawers.....25c to 50c  
Muslin Skirts.....50c to \$2.98

### Gifts for Women

Linen Lunch Sets.....\$2.50 to \$5.00  
Table Damask, by the yard, 25c to \$2.25  
Hemstitched Damask Tray Cloths.....25c to 75c  
Kitchen Table Covers.....55c to \$1.59  
Crash Linen Toweling.....12c to 25c  
Glass Linnen.....15c to 20c  
Dusters.....25c  
Iron Holders.....5c  
Silver Thimbles.....25c, 50c  
Garters.....25c, 50c  
Bath Robe Blankets with trimmings, \$3.98  
Bed Spreads.....89c to \$4.25  
Wash Cape Gloves.....\$1.25 to \$2.00  
2-Clasp Kid Gloves.....\$1.75, \$2.00  
2-Clasp Overseam Lambkin Gloves.....\$1.50, \$1.75  
Strap Wrist Wash Cape Gloves.....\$2.00  
12-Button Kid Gloves.....\$2.75  
16-Button Kid Gloves.....\$2.98, \$3.50  
Wool Lined Gloves.....\$1.25, \$1.75  
Short Wool Gloves.....29c, 50c  
Wool Mittens.....25c, 50c  
Long Silk Gloves.....79c to \$1.50  
Short Silk Gloves.....69c, 75c, \$1.00  
Chamoisette Gloves.....75c  
Novelty Mesh Veilings.....25c, 50c  
Bath Slippers.....50c  
Silk Petticoats.....\$2.98 to \$5.00  
Sateen Petticoats.....79c to \$1.98  
Crepe de Chine Camisoles.....98c to \$1.98  
Wash Sateen Camisoles.....98c to \$1.98  
Crepe de Chine Gowns.....\$5.98  
Crepe de Chine Chemises.....\$2.98 to \$3.98  
Crepe de Chine Skirts.....\$5.00, \$5.98  
Muslin Gowns.....75c to \$3.50  
Muslin Chemises.....\$1.00  
Flannellette Skirts.....25c to 50c  
Flannellette Gowns.....50c to \$1.25  
Pajamas.....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
Chains and Pendants.....25c to \$1.75  
Pearl and Gold Beads.....25c to \$2.00  
Lingerie Clasps.....25c, 50c

### Gifts for Women

Earrings.....25c, 50c  
Bracelets.....50c  
Rings.....25c, 50c

### Gifts for Men

Hair Brushes.....50c to \$1.25  
Bill Folds.....50c  
Whisk Brooms.....15c, 25c  
Combs.....10c to 75c  
Shaving Soaps.....5c, 10c  
Bath Slippers.....50c  
Bath Umbrellas.....\$1.00 to \$2.98  
Silk Umbrellas.....\$5.00  
Suit Hangers.....10c  
Bath Robes.....\$1.98 to \$3.98  
Bath Towels.....12 1/2c to 50c  
Pajamas.....\$1.00, \$1.50  
Night Shirts.....50c to \$1.00  
Suit Cases.....\$1.00 to \$12.00  
Traveling Bags.....\$1.50 to \$12.00  
Professional Bags.....\$2.19 to \$4.50  
Suspenders.....50c  
Armbands.....50c  
Silk Plated Hose.....35c  
Cotton Hose.....15c to 50c  
Silk Hose.....50c to \$1.00  
Munsingwear Union Suits.....\$1.50 to \$3.00  
Neckwear.....25c, 50c  
Cashmere Hose.....25c, 50c  
Wool Shaker Hose.....35c to 50c  
Initial Handkerchiefs.....15c, 25c  
Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.....50c  
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs.....15c  
Cuff Links.....25c, 50c  
Stick Pins.....25c to \$1.00  
Heavy Wool Gloves.....25c to 75c  
Lined Mocha Gloves.....\$1.50  
Mark Cross Gloves.....\$1.50, \$2.00

### Gifts for Girls

Lineabank Towels.....12 1/2c to 59c  
Turkish Bath Towels.....12 1/2c to 50c  
Coat Sets.....50c to \$1.25  
Dress Collars.....25c to \$1.50  
Coat Collars.....25c to \$1.00  
Silk Scarfs.....\$1.00 to \$4.50  
Skiating Sets.....50c to \$1.98  
Windsor Ties.....25c, 50c  
Bracelets.....50c  
Head Necklaces.....25c to \$2.00  
Neck Chains.....25c to \$1.00  
Pendants.....25c to 75c  
Crosses.....50c  
Rings.....25c, 50c  
Beauty Pins.....25c, 50c  
Bouquet Pins.....25c to \$1.00  
Brooch Pins.....25c, 50c  
Barrettes.....25c to \$1.00  
Kid Gloves.....\$1.25 to \$2.00  
Lined Mocha Gloves.....50c  
Wool Gloves.....25c to 50c  
Manicure Sets.....75c to \$2.00  
Pretty Neckwear.....25c, 50c  
School Coats.....\$3.50 to \$5.98  
Wash Dresses.....\$1.00 to \$2.98  
Wool Serge Dresses.....\$2.50 to \$5.00  
Middy Blouses.....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
Crochet Slippers.....75c to \$1.00  
Bath Robes.....\$1.25 to \$2.25  
Cotton and Flannellette Pajamas.....75c to \$1.50  
Sleeping Garments.....50c to \$1.50  
Cotton Drawers.....25c, 50c  
Cotton Vests and Pants.....25c to 50c  
Wool Vests and Pants.....50c to 55c  
Munsingwear Union Suits.....75c to \$2.00  
French Ivory Mirrors.....\$2.00  
French Ivory Brushes.....\$1.75  
French Ivory Combs.....50c  
Tourist Cases.....25c, 50c  
School Bags.....25c to \$4.50  
Five Toilet Soaps.....10c to 25c  
Colgate's Toilet Waters.....40c to 50c  
White Dresses.....\$1.00 to \$3.00

### Gifts for Baby

Crib Blankets.....39c to 69c  
White Wool Mittens.....25c pair  
Talcum Powders.....10c to 25c  
Ribs.....15c to 50c  
Pinning Blankets.....25c, 50c  
Carriage Robes.....\$1.25 to \$1.50  
Soft Soled Shoes.....35c to 50c  
Hand Knit Sackies.....50c  
Worsted Boots.....17c to 50c  
Drawer Leggings.....50c to \$1.25  
Flannel Petticoats.....25c to \$1.00  
Worsted Toques.....59c  
Silk Bonnets.....25c to \$1.50  
Waterproof Diapers.....25c, 50c  
Long Dresses.....35c to \$2.50  
Short Dresses.....35c to \$2.50  
Long Kimonos.....50c  
Quilted Pads.....25c, 39c  
Sweaters.....\$1.00 to \$3.50  
Long White Coats.....\$1.25 to \$4.50  
Short White Coats.....\$1.25 to \$4.50  
Bath Robes.....\$1.25  
Chains and Cross.....50c  
China Beauty Pins.....50c set  
Beauty Pins.....25c, 50c set  
Solid Gold Chains.....\$1.50  
Bands.....25c, 50c  
Shirts.....25c to 75c  
Cashmere Hose.....25c pair  
Cotton Hose.....15c to 30c  
Silk Hose.....50c, 60c

### Gifts for Boys

Pocket Combs.....25c, 50c  
Manicure Sets.....75c to \$2.00  
Clothes Brushes.....15c, 25c  
Hair Brushes.....50c to \$1.25  
Dressing Combs.....10c to 50c  
Fine Toilet Soaps.....10c to 25c  
Cotton Hose.....15c to 35c  
Wool Hose.....35c to 55c  
Cotton Union Suits.....50c to \$2.00  
Wool Union Suits.....\$1.15 to \$2.50  
Cotton Shirts and Drawers.....25c, 35c  
Stationery.....25c to 50c  
Correspondence Cards.....50c  
Kid Gloves.....\$1.50  
Lined Kid Gloves.....50c  
Mittens.....15c to 25c  
Woolen Gloves.....25c to 50c  
Sweaters.....\$1.00 to \$3.50  
Neckwear.....25c, 50c  
Blouses.....25c to 50c  
School Pants.....50c to \$1.50  
Suspenders.....50c  
Pajamas.....\$1.75 to \$1.25  
Bill Folds.....50c  
Coat Hangers.....10c  
Scarf Pins.....25c to \$1.00  
Cuff Links.....25c, 50c  
Tie Clasps.....50c  
Cap and Scarf Sets.....50c to \$1.98  
Cloth School Bags.....25c, 50c  
Initial Handkerchiefs.....15c, 25c  
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs.....15c each

Beginning Wednesday Store Open Evenings Until Christmas  
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